

NOTICE OF MEETING
Arizona State Parks Board
Natural Areas Program Advisory Committee (NAPAC)

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02 and A.R.S. § 41-501.03, notice is hereby given to the members of the Natural Areas Program Advisory Committee (NAPAC) and to the general public that the NAPAC will hold a meeting open to the public on **Thursday, September 27, 2007, at 12:00pm at the offices of Arizona State Parks ASP Board Room, 1300 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona.** Some of the Committee members may participate via telephone. The Committee may, by majority vote, elect to hold an Executive Session, closed to the public, for any item on this agenda to consider records exempt by law from public inspection pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2). Public comment may be taken during the open public session. The Committee will discuss and may take action on the following matters:

AGENDA - September 27, 2007
Meeting convenes at 12:00p.m. at
The Offices of Arizona State Parks
ASP Board Room
1300 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona
(The Chair may change the order of the agenda.)

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND STAFF/ROLL CALL

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of NAPAC minutes for the meeting of July 26, 2007 - minutes previously distributed electronically. (est. 5 minutes)
2. Update and discussion on Oracle SP deed/Defenders of Wildlife.
3. Update on Board response to request to appoint new member.
4. Evaluating open space priorities and potential cross-jurisdictional conservation on Arizona State Land; A visual, interactive decision-support tool presented by ASP GIS Specialists.
5. Update on Peck's Lake/Phelps-Dodge possible acquisition and discussion.
6. Update on Kartchner Caverns Conservation Zone.
7. Schedule site visit to Whitewater Draw area discussed in the July meeting.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider a time limit on presentations by outside individuals/groups to 10-15 minutes.
2. Introduction of Ariel Hiller, Resource Ecologist and Genevieve Johnson, Open Space Coordinator.
3. Capability of Arizona State Parks Foundation as it relates to funding opportunities for Natural Areas Management Implementation.

4. Discussion on member participation in NAPAC subcommittees including revisiting the topic of set dates for site visits by subcommittees, and scheduling subcommittee meetings.
5. Discuss Rio Rico subdivision development road/bridge and access to SCSNA and prepare to formulate recommended response by ASP Board.

E. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Discussion of the following topics will take place in the subcommittee meetings. The subcommittees will report on their discussions to the Committee as whole during this time.

1. Natural Areas Management Guidelines subcommittee: Update and a report on progress of developing the Guidelines with discussion if necessary.
2. Update from Selection subcommittee, including discussion if necessary.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Committee may allow up to five minutes for members of the public to present comments or complaints to the Committee. Those wishing to address the Committee must register at the door and be recognized by the Chair. It is probable that each presentation will be limited to one person per organization. Committee action as a result of public comment is limited by law to directing staff to study or reschedule the matter for further consideration or discussion on a future agenda.

G. BOARD COMMENTS, REQUESTS, AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS.

The Committee may discuss matters of procedure relative to its meetings, including future agenda items, requests from the public of items to be discussed, etc. Committee members may also wish to raise issues of concern and direct staff to place such items on future Committee meeting agendas.

H. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

Determine details of Selection and NAMG subcommittees meetings in October.

I. ADJOURNMENT

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Dated this ____ day of September, 2007.

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Questions regarding this meeting or the Natural Areas program and/or committee should be directed to Joanne Roberts, NAPAC Coordinator at jroberts@asztateparks.gov or at 520-586-4139